

Moran (VA) Rogers (KY) Speier
 Murphy (CT) Rogers (MI) Spratt
 Murphy, Patrick Rooney Stearns
 Murphy, Tim Ros-Lehtinen Stupak
 Murtha Roskam Sutton
 Myrick Ross Tanner
 Nadler (NY) Rothman (NJ) Tauscher
 Napolitano Roybal-Allard Taylor
 Neugebauer Royce Teague
 Nunes Ruppertsberger Terry
 Nye Rush Thompson (CA)
 Oberstar Ryan (OH) Thompson (MS)
 Obey Ryan (WI) Thompson (PA)
 Olson Salazar Thornberry
 Oliver Sánchez, Linda Tiahrt
 Ortiz T. Tiberi
 Pallone Sanchez, Loretta Tierney
 Pastor (AZ) Scalise Titus
 Paul Schakowsky Tonko
 Paulsen Schauer Towns
 Payne Schiff Turner
 Pence Schmidt Upton
 Perlmutter Schrader Van Hollen
 Perriello Schwartz Velázquez
 Peters Scott (GA) Visclosky
 Peterson Scott (VA) Walden
 Petri Sensenbrenner Walz
 Pingree (ME) Serrano Wamp
 Pitts Sessions Wasserman
 Platts Sestak Schultz
 Poe (TX) Shadegg Waters
 Polis (CO) Shea-Porter Watson
 Posey Sherman Watt
 Price (GA) Shimkus Waxman
 Price (NC) Shuler Weiner
 Putnam Shuster Welch
 Radanovich Simpson Wexler
 Rahall Sires Whitfield
 Rangel Skelton Wilson (OH)
 Rehberg Slaughter Wilson (SC)
 Reichert Smith (NE) Wittman
 Reyes Smith (TX) Wolf
 Richardson Smith (WA) Woolsey
 Rodriguez Snyder Wu
 Roe (TN) Souder Young (AK)
 Rogers (AL) Space Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—35

Adler (NJ) Engel Pascrell
 Boswell Farr Pomeroy
 Boucher Grijalva Rohrabacher
 Brady (PA) Gutierrez Sarbanes
 Braley (IA) Hoekstra Schock
 Brown, Corrine Johnson (IL) Smith (NJ)
 Clarke Johnson, Sam Stark
 Cleaver Kosmas Sullivan
 Costello Lewis (GA) Tsongas
 Davis (AL) Marchant Westmoreland
 Dingell Miller, Gary Yarmuth
 Ellison Neal (MA)

□ 1856

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 1218.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. LYNCH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1218.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 399, noes 0, not voting 32, as follows:

[Roll No. 146]

AYES—399

Abercrombie Dahlkemper Johnson, E. B.
 Ackerman Davis (CA) Jones
 Aderholt Davis (IL) Jordan (OH)
 Adler (NJ) Davis (KY) Kagen
 Akin Davis (TN) Kanjorski
 Alexander Deal (GA) Kaptur
 Altmire DeFazio Kennedy
 Andrews DeGette Kildee
 Arcuri Delahunt Kilpatrick (MI)
 Austria DeLauro Kilroy
 Baca Dent Kind
 Bachmann Diaz-Balart, L. King (IA)
 Bachus Diaz-Balart, M. King (NY)
 Baird Dicks Kingston
 Baldwin Doggett Kirk
 Barrett (SC) Donnelly (IN) Kirkpatrick (AZ)
 Barrow Doyle Kissell
 Bartlett Dreier Klein (FL)
 Barton (TX) Driehaus Kline (MN)
 Bean Duncan Kratovil
 Becerra Edwards (MD) Kucinich
 Berkley Edwards (TX) Lamborn
 Berman Ehlers Lance
 Berry Ellsworth Langevin
 Biggert Emerson Larsen (WA)
 Bilbray Eshoo Larson (CT)
 Bilirakis Etheridge Latham
 Bishop (GA) Fallin LaTourette
 Bishop (NY) Fattah Latta
 Bishop (UT) Filner Lee (CA)
 Blackburn Flake Lee (NY)
 Blumenauer Fleming Levin
 Blunt Forbes Lewis (CA)
 Boccheri Fortenberry Lewis (GA)
 Boehner Foster Linder
 Bonner Fox Lipinski
 Bono Mack Frank (MA)
 Boozman Franks (AZ) LoBiondo
 Boren Frelinghuysen Loeb
 Boucher Fudge Lowey
 Boustany Gallegly Lucas
 Boyd Garrett (NJ) Luetkemeyer
 Brady (TX) Gerlach Lujan
 Braley (IA) Giffords Lummis
 Bright Gingrey (GA) Lungren, Daniel
 Broun (GA) Gohmert E.
 Brown (SC) Gonzalez Lynch
 Brown-Waite, Goodlatte Mack
 Ginny Gordon (TN) Maffei
 Buchanan Granger Maloney
 Burgess Graves Manzullo
 Burton (IN) Grayson Markey (CO)
 Butterfield Green, Al Markey (MA)
 Buyer Green, Gene Marshall
 Calvert Griffith Massa
 Camp Guthrie Matheson
 Campbell Hall (NY) Matsui
 Cantor Hall (TX) McCarthy (CA)
 Cao Halvorson McCarthy (NY)
 Capito Hare McCaul
 Capps Harman McClintock
 Capuano Harper McCollum
 Cardoza Hastings (FL) McCotter
 Carnahan Hastings (WA) McDermott
 Carney Heinrich McGovern
 Carson (IN) Heller McHenry
 Carter Hensarling McHugh
 Cassidy Herger McIntyre
 Castle Herseth Sandlin McKeon
 Castor (FL) Higgins McMahon
 Chaffetz Hill McMorris
 Chandler Himes Rodgers
 Childers Hinchey McNerney
 Clay Hinojosa Meek (FL)
 Clyburn Hirono Meeks (NY)
 Coble Hodes Melancon
 Coffman (CO) Holden Mica
 Cohen Holt Michaud
 Cole Honda Miller (FL)
 Conaway Hoyer Miller (MI)
 Connolly (VA) Hunter Miller (NC)
 Conyers Inglis Miller, George
 Cooper Inslee Minnick
 Costa Israel Mitchell
 Courtney Issa Mollohan
 Crenshaw Jackson (IL) Moore (KS)
 Crowley Jackson-Lee Moore (WI)
 Cuellar (TX) Moran (KS)
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 Peters Schwartz Velázquez
 Peterson Scott (GA) Visclosky
 Petri Scott (VA) Walden
 Pingree (ME) Sensenbrenner Walz
 Pitts Serrano Wamp
 Platts Sessions Wasserman
 Poe (TX) Sestak Schultz
 Polis (CO) Shadegg Waters
 Posey Shea-Porter Watson
 Price (GA) Sherman Watt
 Price (NC) Shimkus Waxman
 Putnam Shuler Weiner
 Radanovich Shuster Welch
 Rahall Simpson Wexler
 Rangel Sires Whitfield
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 Reichert Smith (NE) Wilson (SC)
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 Farr Pomeroy

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members have 2 minutes remaining to vote.

□ 1905

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 146, had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H. RES. 252

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor of H. Res. 252.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from South Carolina?

There was no objection.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO OFFER RESOLUTION RAISING A QUES- TION OF THE PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE

Mr. FLAKE. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 2(a)(1) of rule IX, I hereby notify the House of my intention to offer a resolution as a question of the privileges of the House.

The form of my resolution is as follows:

Whereas, The Hill reported that a prominent lobbying firm specializing in obtaining defense earmarks for its clients, the subject of a "federal investigation into potentially corrupt political contributions," has given \$3.4 million in political donations to no less than 284 Members of Congress.

Whereas, multiple press reports have noted questions related to campaign contributions made by or on behalf of the firm; including questions related to "straw man" contributions, the reimbursement of employees for political giving, pressure on clients to give, a suspicious pattern of giving, and the timing of donations relative to legislative activity.

Whereas, Roll Call has taken note of the timing of contributions from employees of the firm and its clients when it reported that they "have provided thousands of dollars worth of campaign contributions to key Members in close proximity to legislative activity, such as the deadline for earmark request letters or passage of a spending bill."

Whereas, CQ Today specifically noted a Member getting "\$25,000 in campaign contribution money from [the founder of the firm] and his relatives right after his subcommittee approved its spending bill in 2005."

Whereas, the Associated Press also noted that Members received campaign contributions from employees of the firm "around the time they requested" earmarks for companies represented by the firm.

Whereas, clients of the firm received at least \$300 million worth of earmarks in fiscal year 2009 appropriations legislation, including several that were approved even after news of the FBI raid of the firm's offices and Justice Department investigation into the firm was well known.

Whereas, the persistent media attention focused on questions about the nature and timing of campaign contributions related to the firm, as well as reports of the Justice Department conducting research on earmarks and campaign contributions, raise concern about the integrity of Congressional proceedings and the dignity of this institution.

Now, therefore, be it *Resolved*, That

(a) the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, or a subcommittee of the committee designated by the committee and its members appointed by the chairman and ranking member, shall immediately begin an investigation into the relationship between the source and timing of past contributions to Members of the House related to the raided firm and earmark requests made by Members of the House on behalf of clients of the raided firm.

(b) The Committee on Standards of Official Conduct shall submit a report of its findings to the House of Representatives within 2 months after the date of adoption of this resolution.

THE SPEAKER pro tempore. Under rule IX, a resolution offered from the floor by a Member other than the majority leader or the minority leader as a question of the privileges of the House has immediate precedence only at a time designated by the Chair within 2 legislative days after the resolution is properly noticed.

Pending that designation, the form of the resolution noticed by the gentleman from Arizona will appear in the RECORD at this point.

The Chair will not at this point determine whether the resolution constitutes a question of privilege. That determination will be made at the time designated for consideration of the resolution.

THE ADMINISTRATION ISN'T PROTECTING AMERICANS' JOBS

(Mr. SMITH of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, in 2006, Senator Obama told his colleagues, "We need an electronic verification system that can significantly reduce the employment of illegal workers, and give employers the confidence that their workforce is legal."

E-Verify is the voluntary Federal program that does just that by allowing employers to check the employment eligibility of their newly hired employees. Yet the Democrats have blocked every single attempt made so far this year to enact a long-term extension of E-Verify.

Instead of protecting jobs for U.S. citizens and legal workers, President Obama signed a bill that will provide 300,000 jobs to illegal immigrants in just the construction industry alone.

With 12 million Americans out of work, we should save jobs for American workers and legal immigrants, not give jobs to illegal workers.

ECONOMIC 9/11

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I want to commend our President, the administration, for the bold action they took today to help resolve our economic morass that we are expressing because of the past administration and the lack of regulations by this Congress. The stock market responded positively with a 500-point gain.

I think it's important that people recognize the good that the administration is doing and trying to do, that we need to work together as a team, as Americans.

After 9/11, Republicans and Democrats came together to support the President and support us in a great crisis. This is an economic 9/11. People should support the President and not do critical things.

Some of them have even suggested, oh, he had time to fill out his NCAA bracket, where he correctly had the Memphis Tigers going to the Sweet Sixteen. There's nothing wrong with that. President Obama is good on the Sweet Sixteen, and he's good on the economy.

COMMENDING KEVIN PETERSEN

(Mr. MCCARTHY of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MCCARTHY of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of a committed public servant, Kevin Petersen, who retires April 3, 2009, as director of NASA's Dryden Flight Research Center located in my district. Kevin has served at Dryden for 38 years and is currently NASA's longest-serving field center director.

Kevin began his career at Dryden as a university cooperative student in 1971, was hired as an aerospace engineer when he graduated from Iowa State in 1974, and later received a Master of Science degree from UCLA.

Kevin was appointed to be Dryden's director in 1999. His tenure as director has seen Dryden's focus on aeronautics research expand to also support work in environmental and space science, space exploration, and human spaceflight. Currently, Dryden has the important task of testing the new Orion Launch Abort System. I appreciated Kevin showing me around that key program when I visited.

Kevin Petersen is a role model for all American students considering a career in science, technology, engineering or mathematics. Kevin, you've been a great public servant. I appreciate your dedication, and I wish you the best of luck.

CHIEF MARK McCURRY: FIRE CHIEF OF THE YEAR

(Mr. MCHENRY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MCHENRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Fire Chief Mark McCurry of Forest City, North Carolina. Chief McCurry was recently named Fire Chief of the Year by the North Carolina Association of Fire Chiefs. It is their highest honor.

Thirty-five years ago, Mark's uncle encouraged him to go into the family business of fire service. Now, 35 years later, Chief McCurry is still serving the community of Forest City. He says putting his life on the line to protect those of his fellow citizens is "like a calling."

Chief McCurry understands that his men no longer just put out fires. All Forest City firemen are now certified EMTs and trained to deal with hazardous materials and weather emergencies.

Mark McCurry recently said, "It takes a crazy person to run into a building that everyone else is running out of." I think we all agree, but no, Chief, it takes an extraordinarily brave man to run into a burning building. And this year, your peers have recognized you as the bravest of all. Congratulations.